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## THIRD STATUS REQUEST

On May 22, 2003 we mailed a Second Status Request regarding this case to which we have received no reply. A copy of such is enclosed for your convenience, as well as a copy of the receipt acknowledgement card received.

We would appreciate your looking into this matter as soon as possible and look forward to receiving an Issue Notification and Letters Patent in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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The PTO date stamp hereon is in acknowledgment that on this date PTO received:

SECOND STATUS REQUEST (w/ enclosure)

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in reference to U.S. Patent of Eric J. Evain et al., S.N. 09/742,868, filed December 21, 2000.

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